## DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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October 3, 1985

ALL-COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE I- 75-85

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: FEDERAL FISCAL SANCTION FOR OCTOBER 1980-SEPTEMBER 1981

REFERENCE: ACIN 1-46-83, 1-37-85, and 1-62-85

The Department of Social Services (DSS) has been notified by the Acting Commissioner of Social Security that she is exercising her option to decline to review the disallowance of Federal financial participation action taken by the Associate Commissioner for Family Assistance against California. DSS had requested the Commissioner's review, as allowed by Federal regulation, as a part of its effort to seek relief from potential Federal fiscal sanction. The Commissioner stated the following reasons for her decision: 1) our appeal challenged Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) regulations, which the Commissioner lacks authority to invalidate; 2) our appeal requested the Commissioner to reconsider the denial by the Secretary of DHHS of our good faith waiver, which the Social Security Administration feels is not subject to further administrative review; and 3) because twenty of twenty-two sanctioned states appealed directly to the Grant Appeals Board (GAB), and since most of California's issues in its appeal are common to the arguments presented by those twenty to the GAB, no useful purpose would be served by a separate review by the Commissioner.

The State's next step in the appeal process is an appeal to the GAB. Our appeal will be filed with the GAB by October 8, 1985. Thirty days from their acknowledgement of receipt of our notice of intent to appeal, we must submit our appeal brief. State policy requires that presentation of the appeal before the GAB be handled by the California Attorney General's Office. DSS has been in contact with that office concerning the appeal process and issues. Preparation for the GAB appeal has already begun.

If you have questions regarding this letter, please contact me or have your staff contact Charles Marvin, Chief, AFDC Corrective Action Bureau, at (916) 445-4458.

TINDA S. MCMAHON

Director

cc: CWDA

## ERRATA

REFERENCE: ALL COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE (ACIN) 1-74-85

DATED, SEPTEMBER 24, 1985

The following are corrections to the ACIN 1-74-85 Listing of Emergency Response Telephone Numbers:

County	Area Code	Number
Contra Costa East County	(415)	439-4266
Glenn	(916)	934-7984
Santa Clara North County	(415)	493-1186

We apologize for any inconvenience caused by incorrect listings.